



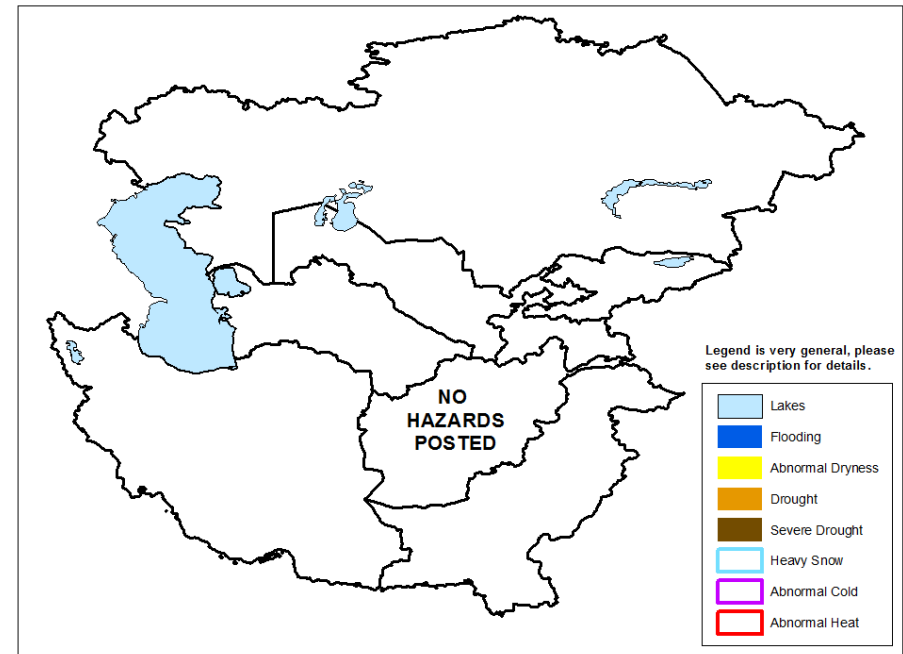
## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook December 3 - 9, 2015

### **Temperatures:**

Following an unseasonably cold week, temperatures averaged at or above-normal with the largest positive anomalies (more than 5 degrees C) across northern Kazakhstan. During the next week, temperatures are likely to average much above-normal. Unseasonably warm temperatures are forecast with maximum temperatures exceeding 25 degrees C across southern Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

### **Precipitation**

During the past week, light to moderate (33 mm or less, liquid equivalent) precipitation was observed across northern Kazakhstan, southern Turkmenistan, and Afghanistan. Above-normal precipitation has prevailed throughout much of the region during the past 30 days. Since the beginning of October, snow water volume has been above-average across the basins of northeastern Afghanistan and western Tajikistan, according to model analyses. Light to moderate precipitation (locally more than 25 mm) is forecast across Kazakhstan along with northern parts of Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.



**Note:** The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.